

UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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Colonel David C. Weston District Engineer, Galveston District Department of the Army, Corps of Engineers P.O. Box 1229 Galveston, TX 77553-1229

Re: San Jacinto River Waste Pits Superfund Site, Harris County, Texas

Dear Colonel Weston:

This letter represents a formal notification by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) on two recent events that have occurred related to the San Jacinto River Waste Pits Superfund Site (Site).

First, on July 17, 2009, the EPA issued Special Notice Letters to potentially responsible parties (PRPs) inviting them to formally negotiate an Administrative Order on Consent to conduct a Remedial Investigation (RI) and Feasibility Study (FS) at the site. This event marks the beginning of several steps that the EPA will be taking with the PRPs thru the Superfund process (Enclosure 1).

Second, due to the unique location of the Site, the EPA, in coordination with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) and the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ), has identified a boundary where potential dredging and/or construction activities may impact the RI and FS that is currently being negotiated, as well as, the future cleanup of the Site (Enclosures 2 and 3).

Currently, the EPA project team is working to address the first event, while an interagency workgroup has been formed, between EPA, USACE, and TCEQ, to address the second event. As you can see, there may be liability and technical issues due to the current EPA enforcement actions, the location of the Site, and the steps that need to be taken as we proceed with the Superfund process. It is the goal of both the EPA project team and inter-agency workgroup to resolve any issues related to these two events.

I look forward to updating you again as progress continues on these two events. If there are any questions regarding this matter, please feel free to contact Mr. Carlos Sanchez at (214) 665-8507 or Mr. Stephen Tzhone of my staff at (214) 665-8409.

Sincerely yours,

Samuel Coleman, P.E.

Director

Superfund Division

Cc: Mark R. Vickery, P.G.

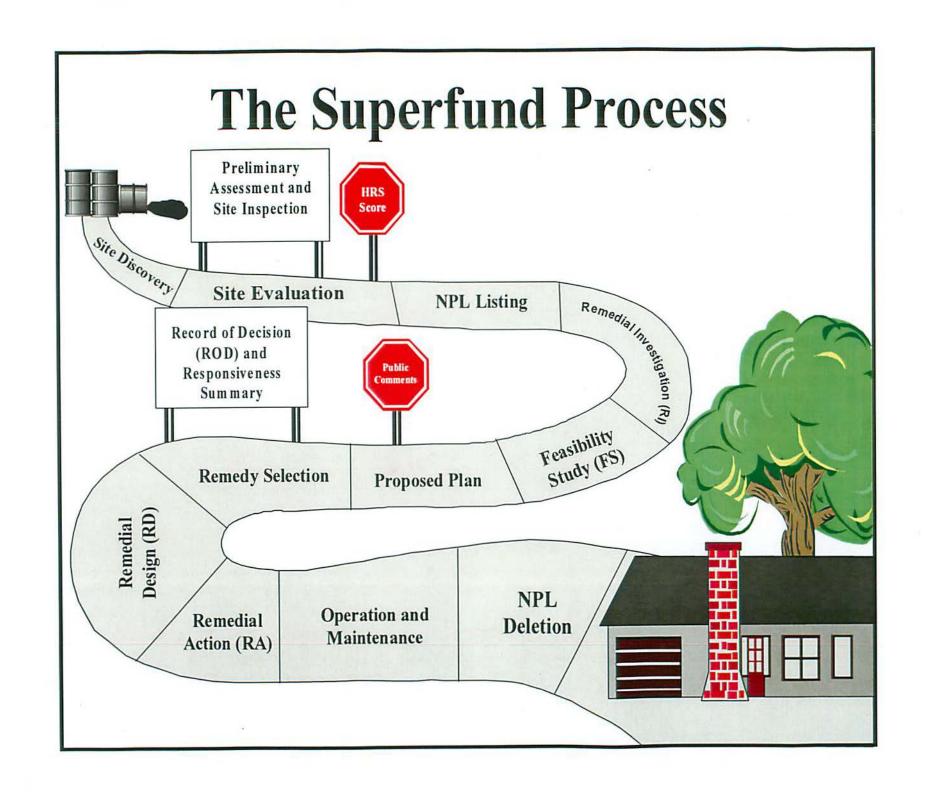
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Enclosures (3)

1: The Superfund Process roadmap

2: USACE letter to EPA (June 2, 2009)

3: EPA/USACE/TCEQ meeting minutes (July 15, 2009)



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Policy Analysis Section

SUBJECT: San Jacinto River Waste Pits Superfund National Priority List Site

David A. Parrish Information Management Team Superfund Division (6SF-VI) Environmental Protection Agency 1445 Ross Avenue, Suite 1200 Dallas, Texas 75202

Dear Mr. Parrish:

This is in response to your May 13, 2009, letter, in which you requested a list of U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) permit actions in the vicinity of the San Jacinto River Waste Pits Superfund National Priority List Site. The area of interest was identified in a geographic information system (GIS) shape file you provided to us by email on April 23, 2009.

I am enclosing a map showing the area of interest along with the location of all USACE Regulatory actions which were identified in our Regulatory database. Also enclosed is a list of these actions sorted by permit number with respective permit name, description, and latitude longitude coordinates. Accordingly, we will be happy to provide you with a GIS shape file which includes this information.

We look forward to working with your office in your effort to investigate and resolve this matter. I will be happy to meet and discuss what additional information may be made available. Please contact me at 409-766-3947, if you have any questions, or would like to discuss in more detail.

Sincerely,

Casey/Cutler

Chief. Policy Analysis Section

Enclosure

(Copies Furnished - See Page 2)

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Area of Interest

Permit Number	Permit Name	Long.	Lat
WG-2008-01219	CTCO of Texas LLC-Dredg Barge Fleetg Basin,	-95.084460	29.787267
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USACE MEETING NOTES

USACE, EPA, & TCEQ
INTERAGENCY MEETING ON
SAN JACINTO RIVER DIOXIN ISSUES
USACE Galveston District Room 185
15 July 2009 - 1300 to 1600hrs

Attendees:

Fred Anthamatten - USACE
Casey Cutler - USACE
Kevin Morgan - USACE
Bruce Bennett - USACE
Sam Watson - USACE
Felicity Dodson - USACE
Mark Lumen - USACE

Sharon Parrish - EPA
Carlos Sanchez - EPA
Steve Tzhone - EPA
Barbara Nann - EPA (via telecon)

Marshall Cedilote - TCEQ
Larry Koenig - TCEQ
Mark Fisher - TCEQ
Sue Reilly - TCEQ

The interagency meeting began with the introductions of meeting attendees and a respective discussion from each agency regarding each agency's roles and authorities.

Mr. Anthamatten briefed the group on the history of the Corps Regulatory issue re: San Jacinto River Waste Pit (SJWP) and the associated suspension of Permit SWG-2007-01865; Capt Jack Roberts.

Ms Parrish and Mr. Tzhone provided a brief history of EPA involvement with SJWP; status of Superfund (NPL) designation explaining that the SJWP was referred to EPA's Mediation Division and that they are they are in the remedial investigation stage working to identify potentially responsible parties.

TCEQ provided a brief history of their involvement with SJWP; explaining that total maximum daily load (TMDL) data collection has been conducted, and that TMDL sampling is separate from NPL data collection and sampling. They confirmed that the Capt Jack Roberts 401 Certification had been suspended and stated that they favor using a programmatic approach to solving these SJWP/Dioxin issues.

Discussion continued regarding the types of information needed and ways to exchange information between agencies. EPA & TCEQ confirmed that the perimeter polygon provided to USACE via email on April 23, 2009, and referenced in the EPA letter dated May 13, 2009, was the accurate boundary of the "area of concern" (AOC). It was also agreed upon that all references to the dioxin contamination would involve the AOC and that this area could expand or contract in the future based on a thorough sediment sampling. EPA also indicated that they would notify USACE of any future change in this boundary. EPA committed to provide personnel that will perform the necessary research of USACE permit files to acquire additional information. EPA also stated that after acquiring the necessary information, they will send notification letters to all respective

permittees/parties within the AOC. EPA stated they may issue a Unilateral Abatement Order (UAO) to a person or party that could aggravate impacts to the NPL site.

Discussions followed on regulatory solutions: permit conditions, testing protocols requirements, and the potential need for an MOU or SOP, etc. USACE emphasized that conditions must relate to items enforceable under their program and suggested EPA/TCEQ should provide direction/concurrence and verification that sediment testing results are in compliance with their requirements. Further that a DMMP must specify characteristics of satisfactory Dredge Material Placement Areas (DMPA's) – certified land fill, upland levied, upland, or beneficial use of the dredged material. TCEQ advised that historically the 300 mg/L 401 requirement was satisfactory to address the return water concerns. Agencies agreed that the responsibility for the oversight and verification of compliance with testing requirements would be EPA's. The group agreed that 3 interagency workgroups would be formed to develop solutions in 3 categories: 1) current pending permit actions, of which there are 3; 2) previously authorized permit actions within the AOC; and 3) an SOP/MOU documenting the acceptable process for all future actions. Mr. Cutler was appointed to serve as chairman for all three workgroups.

A follow-up teleconference to monitor progress was scheduled for 20 August 2009.